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In re Application of :
Naruhito Higo et al.
Serial No. 09/701,558 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: February 17 2004 :
For: Iontophoresis Device and Method For Detecting Physiological Substances

Applicants letter filed February 17 2004 is considered as a petition to review the holding of abandonment, mailed November 03 2003 for failure to file a timely response to the Office action of December 03, 2002.

In support of this request, petitioner has submitted a copy of his response filed with a certificate of mailing dated May 04 2003. Applicant also supplied a copy of a request for a two extension of time which was also mailed with his response of May 04 2003.

In view of the above, the Notice of Abandonment mailed November 03, 2003 is in error and is hereby vacated. The holding of abandonment is withdrawn. This application is being forwarded to the examiner for appropriate action.

Summary: Holding of Abandonment Withdrawn.

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